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FINAL PROGRAMME

Tagliacozzo
17th - 23rd May 2026

13th International Residential Course on Drug Resistant Epilepsies

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Welcome to Tagliacozzo!

Conference Site

Convento di San Francesco
Via Beato Tommaso da Celano 19
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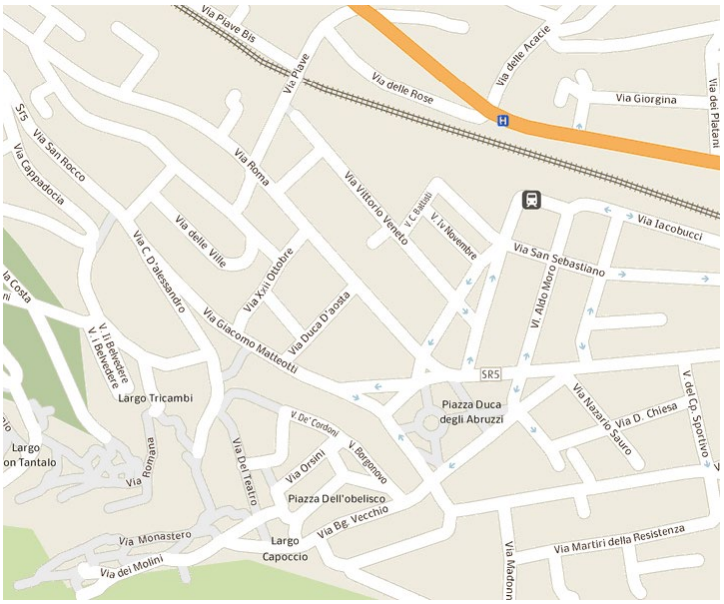

Climate

At the end of May, temperatures generally range between 10–25°C during the day and 5–12°C at night.

Certificate of attendance

A certificate will be delivered to every participant at the end of the Course

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Name Badge

All participants will be issued with a name badge upon registration. This badge will be the official pass to sessions, coffee breaks, luncheons and dinners. Delegates are kindly required to wear it at all times.

Day-by-day Social Program

Sunday, May 17th: 20.30 Restaurant **La Vecchia Posta** (Piazza dell'Obelisco 22)
Monday, May 18th: 20.30 Restaurant "**al Corradino di Svevia**" (Piazza dell'Obelisco, 48)
Tuesday, May 19th: 20.30 Restaurant **La Parigina** (Via dei Molini, 5)
Wednesday, May 20th: 19.00 Appointment in Piazza dell'Obelisco
Thursday, May 21st: 20.30 Restaurant **"Giardino Resta"** (Via Orsini 10)
Friday, May 22nd: 20.30 Restaurant **Albergo Ristorante Marina** (Via G. Matteotti 14)

Organizing Secretariat

PTS Meetings & Events

Enjoy your stay in Tagliacozzo!

Sunday 17th of May

16.00 - 18.00	Arrival		
18.30 - 19.30		Welcome and introduction to the Course	Organizing Committee and local authorities

Monday 18th of May

		Chairs: I. Scheffer – M. Walker		
08.30 - 09.30	L1	Drug resistant epilepsy: concept and biological basis		M. de Curtis *(remote)*
09.30 - 10.30	L2	Old & New Anti-Seizure Medications and their Clinically-Relevant Drug Interaction		M. Bialer *(remote)*
10.30 - 11.00	Coffee Break			
11.00 – 12.45	WG1	E. Perucca	E. Gardella	F. Bisulli
13.00 - 14.30	Lunch			

		Chairs: E. Perucca – M. Walker	
14.30 - 15.15	L3	Neuroinflammation and its impact on brain excitability in epilepsy	E. Palma
15.15 - 16.15	L4	Gene therapy for epilepsy: how far is?	M. Walker
16.15 - 16.45	Coffee Break		
16.45 - 19.15	Plenary Case presentation	**Chairs: E. Gardella – F. Vigevano**	

Tuesday 19th of May

		Chairs: F. Vigevano – E. Perucca		
08.30 - 09.30	L1	New ASMs in the pipeline: What is next?		M. Bialer *(remote)*
09.30 - 10.30	L2	Critical interpretation of clinical trials		E. Perucca
10.30 - 11.00	Coffee Break			
11.00 - 12.45	WG1	E. Perucca	F. Bisulli	E. Gardella
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch			
		Chairs: E. Gardella - M. Walker		
14.00 – 14.45	L3	Is GABAergic switch the key to unlocking intractable seizures and drug-resistant epilepsy?		S. Marinelli
14.45 – 15.30	L4	Cellular and molecular biomarkers in drug resistant epilepsies		M. Walker
15.30 – 16.15	L5	Management of drug-resistant epilepsies in children: is duration of epilepsy a matter?		L. Lagae
16.15 – 16.45	Coffee Break			
16.45 - 18.00	WG2	F. Bisulli	E. Gardella	E. Perucca
18.00 - 19.30	Plenary Case presentation	**Chairs: N. Specchio – F. Bisulli**		

Wednesday 20th of May

		Chairs: L. de Palma – F. Bisulli			
08.30 – 09.30	L1	Classification of epileptic syndromes: does the etiology matter?			I. Scheffer
09.30 - 10.15	L2	From genetic testing to the phenotype			E. Gardella
10.15 - 11.00	L3	Genetic panels and molecular tests			M. Trivisano
11.00 - 11.15	Coffee Break				
		Chairs: M. Trivisano – F. Vigevano			
11.15 - 12.00	L4	Video-EEG in early onset severe epilepsies			L. Fusco
12.00 – 12.45	L5	Developmental and Epileptic encephalopathies in adults			F. Bisulli
12.45 – 13.45	Lunch				
13.45 – 14.30	L2	Filling the empty ellipse of “comorbidities” in epilepsy syndromes			K. Valente
14.30 – 16.00	WG1	M. Trivisano R. Nabbout	L. de Palma	K. Valente I. Scheffer	

Thursday 21th of May

		Chairs: R. Nabbout – F. Vigevano			
08.30 – 09.30	L1	New compounds in pipeline specifically designed for DEEs and precision approaches			E. Perucca
09.30 – 10.30	L2	Dravet Syndrome and new treatment perspectives			I. Scheffer
10.30 – 11.15	L3	DEEs with prominent Status Epilepticus			R. Nabbout
11.15 - 11.45	Coffee Break				
11.45 - 13.15	WG1	K. Valente I. Scheffer	M. Trivisano R. Nabbout	L. de Palma	
13.15 - 14.30	Lunch				
		Chairs: I. Scheffer – N. Specchio			
14.30 - 15.00	L4	The era of 4Ps in epilepsy			R. Nabbout
15.00 - 15.45	L5	Autism in Developmental and epileptic encephalopathies			F. Vigevano
15.45 - 16.30	L6	Neurocognitive evaluation in children			K. Valente
15.45 - 16.30	L7	How to design a clinical trial in drug resistant epilepsies			S. Auvin
16.30 - 17.00	Coffee Break				
17.00 - 19.15	Plenary Case presentation	**Chairs: S. Auvin – R. Nabbout**			

Friday 22th of May

		Chairs: H. Cross – L. de Palma			
		Surgical Remediable Epilepsies			
08.30 - 09.30	L1	Indication and outcome of epilepsy surgery			H. Cross
09.30 - 10.30	L2	How to deal with MRI negative cases			L. de Palma
10.30 – 11.30	L3	TSC drug treatment and surgical approach			K. Braun
11.30 – 11.45	Coffee Break				
11.45 - 13.15	WG1	L. de Palma	K. Valente I. Scheffer	M. Trivisano R. Nabbout	
13.15 - 14.30	Lunch				
		Chairs: K. Braun – I. Scheffer			
14.30 - 15.30	L5	Neuromodulation			L. de Palma
15.30 - 16.30	L6	Epilepsy surgery in genetic epilepsies			K. Braun
16.30 - 17.00	Coffee Break				
17.00 - 19.15	Plenary Case presentation	**Chairs: L. de Palma – K. Braun**			

Saturday 23th of May

		Chair: F. Vigevano – H. Cross	
		Novel diagnostic tools for novel therapies	
09.00 – 09.45	L1	Non-epileptic paroxysmal disorders mimicking seizures in infants / Use of home-made video in daily practice	S. Zuberi *(remote)*
09.45 – 10.30	L2	DEEs – can we make a difference?	H. Cross
10.30 - 11.15	L3	Treatment of DEEs beyond seizures	S. Auvin
		Short pills for emerging treatments	
11.15 - 11.45	L4	The case of TPP1 replacement treatment	N. Specchio
11.45 - 12.30		Grand Round and Competition	All
12.30 - 13.00	Lunch		
End of course			

Tutors and topics

E. Perucca	Drug interactions
F. Bisulli	Differential diagnosis in adults
E. Gardella	Differential diagnosis in children
L. de Palma	Seizure semiology and diagnostic value of video-EEG
K. Valente and I. Scheffer	How to proper classify patients
R. Nabbout and M. Trivisano	Genetic epilepsies

PLENARY CASE PRESENTATIONS - DAILY SCHEDULE

Monday 18th of May

16.45 - 19.15	**Plenary Case presentation** **Chair: E. Gardella – F. Vigevano**	
1	**BABUNOVSKA** Marija	Myoclonus in Adolescence: Think Beyond JME -case report
2	**MOYA QUIROS** Vincent	When an initially confusional genetic story can be the key
3	**MUSERIDZE** Gvantsa	Pharmaco-resistant seizures
4	**RAMA** Anamaria	When the obvious misleads..
5	**RIZAMETOV** Ismatulla	A clinical case of a boy with epileptic encephalopathy and developmental encephalopathy caused by a mutation in the KCNT1 gene
6	**SFERRUZZI** Marco	Perioral Myoclonia with Absences (PoMA): A Diagnostic Pitfall Between Focal and Generalized Epilepsy
7	**SUNNATOVA** Bibigul	A clinical case of a patient with epilepsy due to a mutation in the KCNQ2 gene with onset in neonatal age
8	**TOSI** Eugenia Julia	Drug resistant epilepsy associated with celiac disease
9	**VERONESE** Lorenzo	Novel CLN6 Variant in Kufs disease type A with Drug-Resistant Epilepsy: Expanding the Phenotypic Spectrum
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Tuesday 19th of May

18.00 - 19.30	**Plenary Case presentation** **Chair: N. Specchio – F. Bisulli**	
1	**ABDUYAMINOVA** Ziyodakhon	Drug resistant late onset infantile spasm: diagnostic and management challenging
2	**BARRIOS BORJAS** Dayara	EPILEPSY IN THE CLINICAL SPECTRUM OF SANFILIPPO SYNDROME: THE FIRST REPORT IN PERU
3	**BENMOUSSA** Ahmed	A neuro-Sweet syndrome mimicking autoimmune encephalitis (a case report)
4	**BYTYCI** Pranvera	Epileptic Seizures Induced by Primary Hypoparathyroidism: A Case Report
5	**HURTADO** Mario Humberto	Epilepsy and Central Venous Thrombosis
6	**SHAKEEL** Hassan	GOT2-cha: An New Developmental Epileptic Encephalopathy

Thursday 21st of May

17.00 - 19.15	**Plenary Case presentation** **Chair: S. Auven – R. Nabbout**	
1	**ARRUDA SANTANA** Ana Beatriz	Lessons from a early-infantile onset DEE
2	**CERAOLO** Graziana	Expanding the Phenotypic Spectrum of RFX3 pathogenic variant: A Case of Infantile Epileptic Spasms Syndrome
3	**CROTTI** Elisa	A case of paediatric febrile infection-related epilepsy syndrome (FIRES) with immunological complications
4	**FATHY** Mahmoud	Eating induced reflex seizures
5	**FERRAZZOLI** Chiara	IQSEC2-related epilepsy: A case report
6	**KHARATI** Natia	KRIT1&PRRT2 genes coused Drug Resistant Epilepsy
7	**MENDERES** Deniz	From intractable epilepsy to Lennox-Gastout Syndrome
8	**PARFENI** Maria	Challenges in late diagnosis of Dravet syndrome in a low-middle income country: a case report
9	**ZANIN** Adrien	Atypical Evolution of Drug-Resistant Occipital Epilepsy: Dual Right Occipital and Temporal Foci with Acquired Hippocampal Sclerosis – A Case Report

Friday 22nd of May

17.00 - 19.15	**Plenary Case presentation** **Chair: S. Auven – R. Nabbout**	
1	**AGUAS** Gerard Vincent	Drug-Resistant Epilepsy Secondary to IDH-Wild Type Glioblastoma in a Young Adult with Down Syndrome
2	**KOCI** Ondrej	Pediatric Sleep-Related Hypermotor Epilepsy – case report
3	**POMMELLA** Marianna	Challenges in acute-onset drug resistant focal epilepsy: insights from invasive monitoring in a 4-year-old patient
4	**PRYIMA** Maryana	Medical and Surgical Treatment of Temporal Lobe Epilepsy Due to Hippocampal Sclerosis
5	**PUTRA** Muhammad Akil Yerilwan	MRI-negative drug-resistant sleep-related hypermotor epilepsy
6	**QAZIMLLARI** Blerta	Tuberous sclerosis complex in adulthood revealed by systemic complications: a case report
7	**RAGAGLINI** Chiara	Management of long-standing drug-resistant structural focal epilepsy: a case report
8	**RAPRI** Yesti	STRUCTURAL DRUG-RESISTANT FRONTAL LOBE EPILEPSY WITH RECURRENT SEIZURE CLUSTERS AND STATUS EPILEPTICUS: A CASE SUGGESTIVE OF FOCAL CORTICAL DYSPLASIA
9	**STUDENIAK** Taras	Meningoencephalocele after surgery at the ENT doctor

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